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Title: <b>Hot-Switchable Voltage Bus for IDDQ Current Measurements</b>	IBM Corporation D/18G, B/321, Zip 482 2070 Route 52 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533-6531

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2008.

The Examiner in the aforementioned Office Action has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372, and under PCT Rule 13.1 for failure to have the invention linked as to form a single inventive concept.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, Applicants as required, presently elect a single invention to which the pending claims are restricted.

A) GROUP I, Claims 1-8, drawn to a hot-switchable voltage bus for IDDQ measurement, and

B) GROUP II, Claims 9-25, drawn to a method for IDDQ testing or monitoring power consumption.

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of GROUP II, consisting of Claims 9-25, drawn to a method for IDDQ testing or monitoring power consumption, and withdraw from consideration the claims forming GROUP I, as being drawn to non-elected invention, without prejudice to the Applicants' right to file a Divisional or Continuation or Continuation-in-Part Patent Application for the withdrawn claims.

Since Group II has been elected, the Office Action states that a further restriction is required, namely:

C) GROUP III, Claims 9-24, drawn to a method for IDDQ testing power consumption, and

D) GROUP IV, Claim 25, drawn to a method for monitoring power consumption.

Applicants elect GROUP III, consisting of Claims 9-24, and withdraw from consideration GROUP IV consisting of Claim 25.

The above election is made without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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